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Dear Mr. Zlotopolski:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule A of your report (pertinent portion(s) attached) discloses a receipt(s) from an organization(s) that is not registered with the Commission. 2 U.S.C. §441b prohibits the receipt of funds from national banks, corporations, and labor organizations. Under 11 CFR §102.6, however, certain entities may serve as collecting agents for the purpose of transmitting contributions to a separate segregated fund. A collecting agent may be, but is not limited to, a committee which is affiliated with the separate segregated fund; the connected organization; or a local, national, or international union.

Funds received from a collecting agent are to be attributed to the original contributors and should be disclosed according to the requirements of 11 CFR §104.3(a). If the amounts in question were contributed by individuals and transmitted to your committee by a collecting agent, the activity should be included on Line 11(a)(i) of the Detailed Summary Page. Any contribution from an individual exceeding \$200 in the aggregate during the calendar year should be itemized on a supporting Schedule A. Collecting agents need not be identified on your report.